

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Examiner: Bruce Snow

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AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Initially, please change the Attorney Docket No.

Applicants petition the Commissioner to extend the time for response to the August 28, 2002 Office Action to February 28, 2003. Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-1710 \$930.00 for payment of the extension fee. Any additional fee required, and any overpayments should also be charged to

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In response to the August 28, 2002 Office

Action, please enter the following amendments in compliance
with the February 25, 2003 OG Notice Re Amendments in Revised

Format.

I. Introductory Comments

Kindly amend the specification and claims as shown on the attached sheets. Also, please enter the remarks set forth in the attached Remarks sheets.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 625-3500. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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